

Memorandum

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TO : Director of Training EYES ONLY

DATE: 25 January 1965

FROM : Chief, School of International Communism

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report No. 2
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I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

II. OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. Encouraged by the successful debut of the FBI in our last Anti-Communist Operations course [REDACTED] has been attempting to garner some additional guests for the April running. [REDACTED] (FBI) has agreed to come back for another presentation. Requests have been made to, and favorably received by, both the [REDACTED] representatives through DDP liaison. In addition, our long-time friend from the [REDACTED] service is here on one of his periodic visits and agreed, since he would not be available to speak in person, to have a presentation filmed. This had been arranged, through [REDACTED] for Saturday, but somewhere along the line WE Division interposed an objection to the filming procedure and Saturday's arrangements were canceled. We still have hopes for a WE change of mind - with the possibility of making the film sometime this week. However, even if this doesn't work out we still have good prospects for representation from one or two additional services in April.

2. Your query after my briefing of the DDS re our procedures for keeping abreast of all external publications prompted me to check in greater detail - to assure myself that we were doing everything possible to keep ourselves informed. A brief resume of our current procedures follows.

To monitor book publications we begin with the quarterly announcement issues of Publisher's Weekly, from which we compile a list of forthcoming books relevant to SIC's interests. Unfortunately, this is only an author-title listing, not a subject one, so the process isn't very definitive. In addition, the Slavic Review and Russian Review (quarterlies) publish in each issue a list of books received - providing a check on publications about Soviet and East European developments. Perhaps most useful are the Library of Congress cards prepared by the Legislative

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Reference Service which do provide a brief precis. The Agency library sends us all the cards they receive from LC in the entire Communism area. SIC also subscribes to Paperbacks in Print, a monthly with subject listings. USIA and the Agency both publish book acquisitions lists, and State's "External Research Reports" is a comprehensive list of work completed or in process - primarily in the academic community. Beyond these formal processes, we are fortunate in having a genuine bibliophile in our midst, one [REDACTED] who, about once a week, browses in one of the "better" book stores (Saville, World Affairs, Sidney Kramer) - frequently turning up a hot item.

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For monitoring periodical items the LC cards again provide the most comprehensive source for English language articles. Beyond this, Press Comments (DDP) picks up and reprints a fair cross-section, and the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] provides another cross-section from foreign periodicals. Finally, browsing by staff members through the quarterlies or monthlies, as well as a check on them by [REDACTED] completes the process. I'm reasonably confident that few items of value are missed, and I know that we turn up enough so that it's impossible for any one staff member to read even a majority of the items. However, among us we manage to review most of them. In this connection [REDACTED] has just completed another revision of our bibliography - making it shorter and, hopefully, more critical and definitive. One thousand copies of the previous edition were distributed.

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3. At the request of [REDACTED] both read a paper entitled "A Theory of the Sino-Soviet Power Elite," written by Captain Leonard R. Friedman, a Special Forces psychiatrist from Fort Bragg. This study was endorsed by G-2. They then spent three and a half hours last Thursday discussing the paper with Captain Friedman. They returned from this session glassy-eyed and shaken. The good captain is apparently a genuine University of Chicago "whiz-kid" who is proposing a novel interpretation of the Sino-Soviet leadership situation, namely that the military is not only powerful, but in fact determines and controls political careers. [REDACTED] were overwhelmed by his apparent mastery of an enormous fund of facts, but not by the validity of his theory. It did result in forcing [REDACTED] back

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to the drawing-board in the Agency library on Friday morning to check as to whose facts were valid - particularly with reference to the situation in the Whampoa Military Academy in the mid-20s! Apparently this was an effort by [REDACTED] to help improve our relationship with Bragg. There was no resolution of anything - except that [REDACTED] sent Captain Friedman to peddle his wares to I&R in State where "they would be more appropriate."

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4. Since the request from [REDACTED] to conducting a seminar on Capitol Hill has been approved by DDS and Legislative Counsel I have contacted [REDACTED] and agreed to appear sometime in February. [REDACTED] has asked if he might accompany me - to which I agreed. One point of which I was not aware is the fact that all of the group will be Republicans. [REDACTED] had neglected to inform me of that slight detail.

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5. The running of FSI's Communist Strategy seminar just completed, John Keppel course director, still had a large proportion of CIA participants - all from OTR. Eight presentations were made by SIC staff, and [REDACTED] added another. Keppel, however, is aware of the disproportion and I'm sure will remedy this situation before the next requests come along. State itself handled only three more presentations than we did.

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6. We are assured by the [REDACTED] desk that the proposed TDY [REDACTED] is still projected, and that a postponement was necessary only because of the confused political situation resulting from the elections. I am hopeful that this will develop as planned since it will enable us to gain further insight into Communist activities in [REDACTED]. In line with DDTR's query to me last week about TDYs - this is the type we feel to be of real value - given a job to do which will enable our representative to get beneath the surface and zero in on the basics of Communist activity. It's interesting to note that the desk feels that the Communists were in large part responsible for the disruption of the election although it has not been reported widely in this way. The ONE Staff Memo, for example, on this particular subject made no mention of Communist manipulation.

With reference to TDYs, we are told that [REDACTED] has been requested by name to provide the expanded Communism coverage in [REDACTED] during March. The cable read as though [REDACTED] had done an effective job last month.

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7. We have pulled back somewhat from our ambitious initial decision to include a case study on S. Vietnam in the current JOT course.

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aspects to [REDACTED] presentation on Revolutionary War.

8. External Presentations:

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[REDACTED] FSI - Communist Strategy Course - 11 January
"Theoretical Background of Communism" and
18 January - "Impact and Implication of the
Sino-Soviet Conflict"

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[REDACTED] FSI - Communist Strategy Course - 11 January
"Development of the International Communist
Movement"

AID Course - 12 January
"The Current Status of International Communism"

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[REDACTED] MAI - 11 January
"Communist Bloc Economic and Military Aid"

FSI - Intermediate Internal Defense Course -
12 January - "Communist Economic Techniques
of Indirect Aggression Against Under-
developed Nations"

FSI - Communist Strategy Course - 13 January
"Foreign Economic Programs of the USSR"

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[REDACTED] AID Course - 11 January
"The Ideas and Appeals of Communism"

FSI - Communist Strategy Course - 13 January
"Soviet Economic Potential" and "Soviet
Education and Scientific Potential"

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[REDACTED] AID Course - 12 January
"Role of Organization in Communist Movement"

FSI - Intermediate Internal Defense Course -
12 January - "Wars of National Liberation"

FSI - Communist Strategy Course - 12 January
"Communist Organization"

AID Course - 13 January
"Communist Programs for Exploiting Disaffection
and Potential Insurgency"

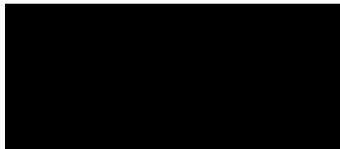
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[REDACTED] FSI - Communist Strategy Course - 15 January
"Scientific and Military Potential of Red
China"

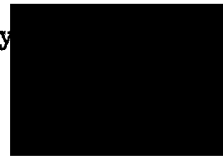
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